

Largest Employers in Clark County

These employers provide nearly
3 in every 5 jobs in the county

Employer Name	Product or Service
County of Clark	Executive & Legis. Offices, Combined
Fleet Guard Inc (Nelson Industries)	Other Misc. Gen. Purpose Mach. Mfg
Memorial Hospital Inc	General Medical & Surgical Hospitals
School District of Neillsville	Elementary & Secondary Schools
Abbyland Pork Pack Inc	Animal (except Poultry) Slaughtering
Grassland Dairy Products Inc	Creamery Butter Mfg
Weather Shield Greenwood	Othr Plastics Product Mfg - Windows
Colby Public School	Elementary & Secondary Schools
Leeson Electric Corp	Motor & Generator Mfg
Weyerhaeuser Co	Sawmills
Kerry Inc	Dried & Dehydrated Food Mfg
Liberty Homes, Inc.	Manufactured Home (Mobile Hm) Mfg
Eldercare Resources (Colonial Center)	Nursing Care Facilities
School District of Abbotsford	Elementary & Secondary Schools
Packaging Corp of America	Corrugated & Solid Fiber Box Mfg
Loyal Public School	Elementary & Secondary Schools
Thorp Public School	Elementary & Secondary Schools
Heartland Coop Services	Farm Supplies Merchant Wholesalers
Parrett Mfg Inc	Wood Window & Door Mfg
Lynn Dairy, Inc.	Cheese Mfg
Slap Inc (Mc Donald's)	Limited-Service Restaurants
School District/Greenwood	Elementary & Secondary Schools
Benchmark Components Inc	Institutional Furniture Mfg
City of Neillsville	Executive & Legis. Offices, Combined
Abby Vans Inc	Charter Bus Industry
Thorp Nursing Home (Oakbrook Hlth)	Nursing Care Facilities
Solberg Foods Inc	Sprmrkts/Othr Groc.(not Conv) Stores
Grantan Area School District	Elementary & Secondary Schools
Haas Sons Inc	Highway, Street, & Bridge Construction
Figi's Mail Order Gifts, Inc.	Mail-Order Houses
Pizza Hut	Full-Service Restaurants
Decorator Industries (Liberia Mfg Co)	Curtain & Drapery Mills
Lagrande's Hillside Dairy Inc	Cheese Mfg
Pamida Inc	All Other General Merchandise Stores
Land O'Lakes Inc	Cheese Mfg

Source: WI DWD, Unemployment Compensation file, June 2003

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Job Centers in West Central Wisconsin

Barron Co. Job Center
113 N. Main St.
Rice Lake, WI 54868
715-234-6826

Chippewa Co. Job Center
13 E. Spruce St.
Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
715-726-2551

Clark Co. Job Center
501 Hewitt St.
Neillsville, WI 54456
715-743-4631

Dunn Co. Job Center
401 Technology Dr.
Menomonie, WI 54751
715-232-7380 ext.127

Eau Claire Job Center
221 W. Madison St.
Eau Claire, WI 54703
715-836-5165

Pepin Co. Job Center
316 W. Madison St.
Durand, WI 54736
715-672-8801

Pierce Co. Job Center
388 W. Main St.
Ellsworth, WI 54011
715-273-6788

Polk Co. Job Center
404 Main St.
Balsam Lake, WI 54810
715-485-3115

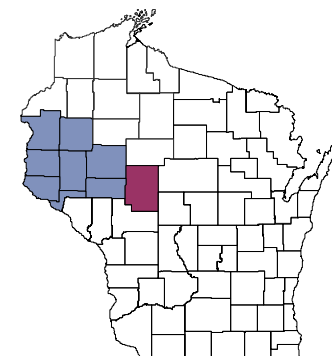
St. Croix Co. Job Center
240 Wisconsin Dr. #110
New Richmond, WI 54017
715-246-6790 ext.105

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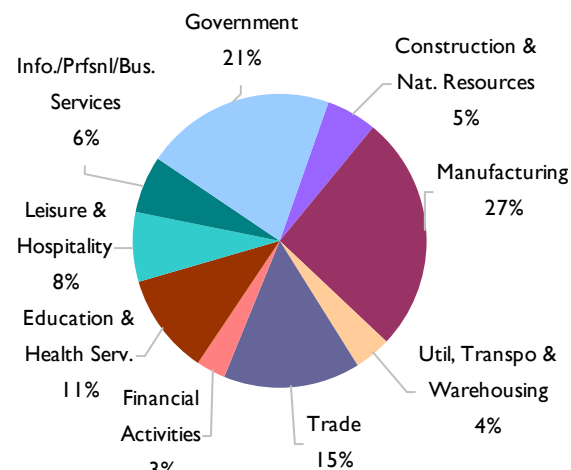


Clark County...

is one of nine counties in the West Central Wisconsin Workforce Development Area. Every day roughly one-third of the workforce travels to a neighboring county for work but the other two-thirds find jobs with some of the county's largest employers. Many of those employers are either manufacturers or school districts.

Over one in four jobs in the county are with manufacturing employers and another 21 percent are with government agencies and school districts. The high share of

Employment by Industry In Clark County: 2003



manufacturing employment is one of the reasons the list of top occupations (inside page) includes 15 production occupations and the list of employers includes 14 manufacturers. The annual average wage from manufacturing employers in 2002 was \$30,179 while the average for government workers was \$26,464. The overall average annual wage in the county was \$24,229, roughly 75 percent of the average for all workers in the state of \$32,422.

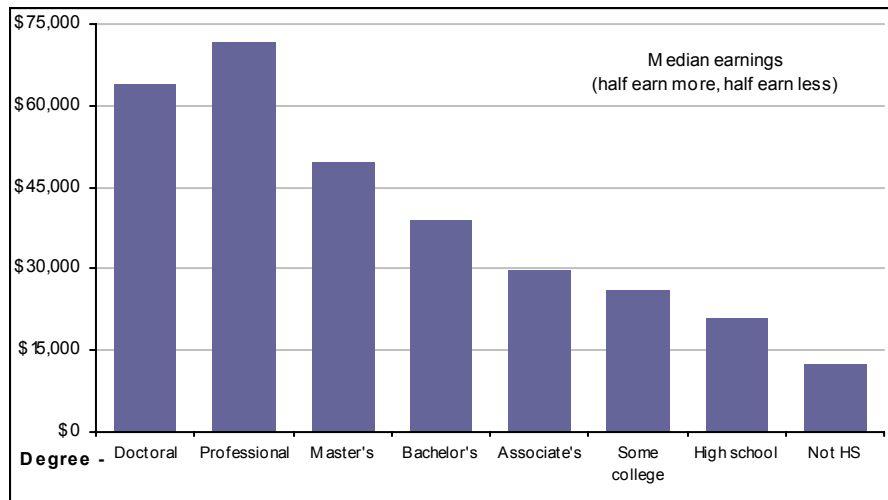
Occupations in demand in West Central Wisconsin

	Top Ten Occupations	Education & Training Typically Required*	Average Wage**
Fastest Growth	Computer Scientists, NEC	Bachelor's degree	\$ 22.63
	Lawn Service Managers	Work exp. inrelated occ.	NA
	Special Agents, Insurance	Bachelor's degree	\$ 11.59
	Economists	Bachelor's degree	\$ 26.69
	Physics Teachers	Doctor's degree	NA
	Physical Science Teachers, NEC	Doctor's degree	\$ 46,900
	Economics Teachers	Doctor's degree	NA
	Political Science Teachers	Doctor's degree	NA
	Health Practitioners, NEC	First Professional degree	\$ 73.07
	Brokerage Clerks	1-12 mo. on-the-job training	NA
Most Openings	Cashiers	1-month or less training	\$ 7.38
	Retail Salespersons	1-month or less training	\$ 8.77
	Waiters & Waitresses	1-month or less training	\$ 7.87
	Office Clerks, General	1-month or less training	\$ 10.18
	Food Prep/Service Workers, Fst Fd	1-month or less training	\$ 7.02
	General Mgrs & Top Execs	Work exp. plus a degree	\$ 31.83
	Food Preparation Workers	1-month or less training	\$ 8.15
	Teachers, Secondary School	Bachelor's degree	\$ 38,300
	Registered Nurses	Associate degree	\$ 20.81
	Truck Drivers, Heavy	Vocational training	\$ 20.77

* The most common way to enter the occupation, not the only way

** Wages from balance-of-state for western counties, 2002

National Median Annual Earnings by Education: 2001



Source: US Census Bureau, Current Population Surveys, March 2001

Wages for 40 Occupations with the most workers

in the labor market area including Barron, Burnett, Clark, Rusk, and Taylor counties. These counties are grouped because 1) they share similar employment and wages AND 2) together met the minimum standard of 40,000 jobs needed to publish wage information. Hourly wage data was collected from local employers in 2002.

Nearly half of all jobs in this area are in the occupations on this list!

Occupation (ranked by employment)	Lowest 10% Wage*	Average/ hour	Middle range* *
Retail Salespersons	\$5.94	\$10.20	\$6.80 – \$12.23
Cashiers	\$5.77	\$7.36	\$6.33 – \$8.29
Truck Drivers, Heavy & Tractor-Trailer	\$10.46	\$16.45	\$12.60 – \$20.38
Packers & Packagers, Hand	\$6.64	\$10.13	\$8.26 – \$11.39
Janitors & Cleaners, Except Maids & Hskpg. Cleaners	\$6.39	\$9.75	\$7.54 – \$11.59
Elementary School Teachers, Except Special Education		\$40,569 (Annual average wage)	
Combined Food Prep./Serving Workers, Incl. Fast Food	\$5.46	\$6.40	\$5.80 – \$6.86
Laborers & Freight, Stock, & Material Movers, Hand	\$6.84	\$10.85	\$8.67 – \$13.14
Bookkeeping, Accounting, & Auditing Clerks	\$8.87	\$11.62	\$9.60 – \$13.21
Team Assemblers	\$7.39	\$11.14	\$9.31 – \$13.27
Nursing Aides, Orderlies, & Attendants	\$7.82	\$9.69	\$8.70 – \$10.77
Office Clerks, General	\$6.93	\$10.37	\$8.68 – \$12.16
Teacher Assistants		\$18,029 (Annual average wage)	
Stock Clerks & Order Fillers	\$5.99	\$8.40	\$6.60 – \$9.97
Helpers--Production Workers	\$7.04	\$11.89	\$9.77 – \$13.80
General & Operations Managers	\$14.64	\$32.50	\$19.99 – \$41.85
Registered Nurses	\$16.22	\$21.40	\$18.21 – \$24.41
Maintenance & Repair Workers, General	\$9.92	\$14.63	\$12.34 – \$16.93
Construction Laborers	\$8.77	\$13.68	\$11.77 – \$14.91
1st-Line Supervisors/Mngrs. of Prod./Operating Workers	\$12.05	\$19.07	\$14.64 – \$22.35
Food Preparation Workers	\$6.04	\$7.67	\$6.71 – \$8.48
Cabinetmakers & Bench Carpenters	\$8.89	\$11.89	\$9.51 – \$14.92
Production Workers, All Other	\$8.27	\$13.67	\$10.93 – \$16.25
Personal & Home Care Aides	\$6.36	\$7.95	\$7.36 – \$8.63
Secretaries, Except Legal, Medical, & Executive	\$7.71	\$10.95	\$9.39 – \$12.65
Inspectors, Testers, Sorters, Samplers, & Weighers	\$6.12	\$10.13	\$6.73 – \$12.78
Executive Secretaries & Administrative Assistants	\$7.85	\$12.83	\$9.68 – \$15.17
Carpenters	\$9.11	\$14.47	\$12.12 – \$16.29
Machinists	\$11.07	\$15.06	\$12.87 – \$17.08
1st-Line Supervisors/Mngrs. of Retail Sales Workers	\$8.55	\$15.48	\$10.65 – \$17.02
Automotive Service Technicians & Mechanics	\$8.30	\$12.80	\$9.66 – \$15.48
Receptionists & Information Clerks	\$6.52	\$9.95	\$7.79 – \$12.28
Cutt/Punch/Press Mach. Setters/Ops/Tendr, Mtl.-Plastic	\$9.91	\$13.39	\$11.62 – \$15.50
Bus Drivers, School	\$8.79	\$10.02	\$9.47 – \$10.83
Packaging & Filling Machine Operators & Tenders	\$6.07	\$9.39	\$6.72 – \$12.10
Sales Reps, Whsl. & Mfg., Except Tech./Scientific Prod.	\$10.41	\$18.83	\$12.86 – \$21.17
Shipping, Receiving, & Traffic Clerks	\$7.35	\$10.94	\$8.74 – \$13.00
Welders, Cutters, Solderers, & Brazers	\$9.43	\$12.94	\$10.58 – \$14.73
Home Health Aides	\$7.22	\$8.39	\$7.79 – \$9.08
Industrial Truck & Tractor Operators	\$8.79	\$11.86	\$10.11 – \$13.53

* only 10% of wages are lower

**middle 50% of wages (25% are lower and 25% are higher)